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TAGS: PFOR, VE, US

SUBJ: PRESIDENTIAL INVITATION TO PRESIDENT PEREZ

REF: STATE 058368

1. AT DINNER ON APRIL 23 DURING AN INFORMAL EXCHANGE WITH LOCAL AND FOREIGN JOURNALISTS (INCLUDING ERIC SEVAREID AND BARRY ZORTHIAN) PRESIDENT PEREZ WAS ASKED WHEN HE WOULD VISIT THE U.S. HE REPLIED QUOTE POSSIBLY IN OCTOBER END QUOTE. THERE WERE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS. THE ONLY MEDIA NOTICE HERE SO FAR HAS BEEN AN ITEM IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE DAILY JOURNAL REPORTING THE PRESIDENT'S REMARK AND SPECULATING THAT HE MIGHT BE THINKING OF A SPEECH BEFORE THE UNGA SINCE OCTOBER ON THE EVE OF THE U.S. ELECTIONS QUOTE WOULD NOT BE A VERY GOOD MONTH FOR A STATE VISIT TO WASHINGTON END QUOTE.

2. I ASKED PEREZ LATER ON IN THE COURSE OF A PRIVATE CONVERSATION ABOUT HIS PLANS. HE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE TRIP TO VISIT EUROPE AS WELL AND HAD ASKED THE FOREIGN MINISTER TO DRAW UP A PROPOSED ITINERARY. I REMINDED HIM THAT WE WOULD WISH TO CONSULT ON THE NATURE AND TIMING OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT ONCE A FIRM DECISION IS REACHED. THE PRESIDENT SAID HE WOULD KEEP THAT IN MIND AND BE BACK TO ME LATER.  
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